

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention provides a camera where
a focusing position of a taking lens is adjusted as
a first focus adjustment by a CPU, and as a second
focus adjustment lower in accuracy but higher at a
speed than the first focus adjustment. An object image
is picked up through the taking lens by an imager, and
an output signal of the imager is converted into image
data. A compressibility of the image data obtained at
10 the imager is set by an image processing section, and
the image data is compressed in accordance with the
set compressibility. Then, in accordance with the
compressibility set by the image processing section,
the CPU decides which of the first focus adjustment and
15 the second focus adjustment is used to execute a final
focus adjustment operation of the taking lens.